

Public Law 110–28  
110th Congress

An Act

May 25, 2007  
[H.R. 2206]

Making emergency supplemental appropriations and additional supplemental appropriations for agricultural and other emergency assistance for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

U.S. Troop  
Readiness,  
Veterans' Care,  
Katrina  
Recovery,  
and Iraq  
Accountability  
Appropriations  
Act, 2007.

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the “U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans’ Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007”.

**SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

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**SEC. 3. STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

The following sums in this Act are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007.

**TITLE IV—ADDITIONAL HURRICANE  
DISASTER RELIEF AND RECOVERY****CHAPTER 1**

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

## GENERAL PROVISION—THIS CHAPTER

SEC. 4101. Section 1231(k)(2) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3831(k)(2)) is amended by striking “During calendar year 2006, the” and inserting “The”.

**CHAPTER 2**

## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

## STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE

For an additional amount for “State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance”, for discretionary grants authorized by subpart 2 of part E, of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 as in effect on September 30, 2006, notwithstanding the provisions of section 511 of said Act, \$50,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the amount made available under this heading shall be for local law enforcement initiatives in the Gulf Coast region related to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina: *Provided further*, That these funds shall be apportioned among the States in quotient to their level of violent crime as estimated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s Uniform Crime Report for the year 2005.

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

## OPERATIONS, RESEARCH, AND FACILITIES

For an additional amount for “Operations, Research, and Facilities”, for necessary expenses related to the consequences of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita on the shrimp and fishing industries, \$110,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2008.

## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

## EXPLORATION CAPABILITIES

For an additional amount for “Exploration Capabilities” for necessary expenses related to the consequences of Hurricane Katrina, \$20,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS CHAPTER

SEC. 4201. Funds provided in this Act for the “Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Operations, Research, and Facilities”, shall be made available

according to the language relating to such account in the joint explanatory statement accompanying the conference report on H.R. 1591 of the 110th Congress (H. Rept. 110–107).

SEC. 4202. Up to \$48,000,000 of amounts made available to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Public Law 109–148 and Public Law 109–234 for emergency hurricane and other natural disaster-related expenses may be used to reimburse hurricane-related costs incurred by NASA in fiscal year 2005.

### CHAPTER 3

#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

#### CORPS OF ENGINEERS—CIVIL

#### CONSTRUCTION

For an additional amount for “Construction” for necessary expenses related to the consequences of Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season, \$25,300,000, to remain available until expended, which may be used to continue construction of projects related to interior drainage for the greater New Orleans metropolitan area.

#### FLOOD CONTROL AND COASTAL EMERGENCIES

For an additional amount for “Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies”, as authorized by section 5 of the Act of August 18, 1941 (33 U.S.C. 701n), for necessary expenses relating to the consequences of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and for other purposes, \$1,407,700,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That \$1,300,000,000 of the amount provided may be used by the Secretary of the Army to carry out projects and measures for the West Bank and Vicinity and Lake Ponchartrain and Vicinity, Louisiana, projects, as described under the heading “Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies”, in chapter 3 of Public Law 109–148: *Provided further*, That \$107,700,000 of the amount provided may be used to implement the projects for hurricane storm damage reduction, flood damage reduction, and ecosystem restoration within Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson Counties, Mississippi substantially in accordance with the Report of the Chief of Engineers dated December 31, 2006, and entitled “Mississippi, Coastal Improvements Program Interim Report, Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson Counties, Mississippi”: *Provided further*, That projects authorized for implementation under this Chief’s report shall be carried out at full Federal expense, except that the non-Federal interests shall be responsible for providing for all costs associated with operation and maintenance of the project: *Provided further*, That any project using funds appropriated under this heading shall be initiated only after non-Federal interests have entered into binding agreements with the Secretary requiring the non-Federal interests to pay 100 percent of the operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and rehabilitation costs of the project and to hold and save the United States free from damages due to the construction or operation and maintenance of the project, except for damages due to the fault or negligence of the United States or its contractors: